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- During the first week of August 1949, the Russians "purchased" an additional sixty Morgen of land adjacent to Strausberg airfield (VIS) from local farmers. No specific arrangements were made for payment, although the procedure - transfer of title, etc. - was all in the form of a sale. The farmers were told that they could cut the wood on this land themselves and haul it away by 15 August, otherwise the Russians would do the cutting and retain the wood.
- Colonel Vasili Kasalov is the new military commander of Strausberg, replacing Colonel Sarkarov. Kasalov lives in a villa in the Burschenheim area of Strausberg with his wife, who is reported to have said that she previously had her clothes made in Leipzig.

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